

REMARKS

The applicants have studied the Office Action dated June 30, 2004. It is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Claim 1 has been amended and claims 13-24 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 11, 12, and 20-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Torres et al.

Claims 8-10 and 14-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Torres et al. in view of Chou et al.

The Examiner stated that claim 13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The limitations of claim 13 have been added to claim 1.

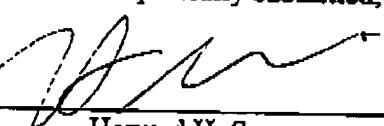
Thus, claims 1-12 now distinguish over the art of record.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 1-12 should be withdrawn.

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